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SHRC Meeting Comes to Sacramento in August

The next quarterly meeting of the [State Historical Resources Commission \(SHRC\)](#) takes place in Sacramento, August 1, 2019. Nominations to the National Register of Historic Places are scheduled to be heard, as is a California Historical Landmark nomination.

Also on the agenda is the presentation of resolutions to student recipients of the [California Historic Places Award and Honorable Commendations](#). It is the Office



Senate Confirms New ACHP Chair

On June 27, 2019, the U.S. Senate confirmed Aimee Jorjani as the first full-time Chairperson of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). Ms. Jorjani has served nearly 20 years in the fields of government and cultural resources management, including time at the U.S. Department of the Interior where she served as the first Department-wide Historic Preservation Officer. Congratulations!

Read the full [ACHP appointment statement](#).

of Historic Preservation's pleasure to present the award each year in partnership with the California Historical Society and the SHRC, as part of [National History Day California](#).

Image: Anne Hathaway Cottage in Sacramento, CA, is one of the nominated properties scheduled for the August 1 SHRC meeting. Photo courtesy of Matthew Walker.

Ms. Jorjani replaces Milford Wayne Donaldson who served as Chair of the Council from 2010 to 2019, and as California's State Historic Preservation Officer from 2004 to 2012. In 2018, Mr. Donaldson received the California Preservation Foundation's [Lifetime Achievement Award](#) for more than forty years dedicated to the work and cause of historic preservation. Our sincere appreciation and best wishes!

Image: Courtesy of the ACHP.



California Tribe Honored by the United Nations

The [Yurok Tribe](#) of northern California is among the 22 recipients worldwide of the United Nations Development Programme's Equator Prize. The prize honors "innovative, nature-based solutions for tackling climate change, environment, and poverty challenges."

The Tribe was recognized for their innovative efforts to restore the natural habitat of their ancestral lands in the Klamath River region. As noted by the Programme, "Forming an unprecedented alliance with the government of California to auction carbon credits from their sustainably managed forests through the cap-and-trade program, the Yurok Tribe has secured new finance to purchase over 22,200 hectares of their ancestral lands."

Two grassroots organizations in Hawaii, and the Yurok Tribe, were the only United States awardees among the prize recipients. Congratulations!

Learn more:

- [United Nations award announcement](#)
- [Indian Country Today article](#)



NHPA Terminology Clarification

A Washington D.C. circuit court recently issued an opinion clarifying the meaning of the term "directly" in Section 110(f) of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) as referring to the causality, and not the physicality, of the effect on historic properties. According to the [Advisory Council on Historic Preservation \(ACHP\)](#), "The court's opinion should assist federal agencies not only in determining when Section 110(f) may apply to an undertaking that is subject to review under Section 106 of the NHPA, but also how to characterize the types of effects that may be caused by an undertaking subject to Section 106 review."

Learn more:

- [ACHP briefing](#) on the court's decision
- Text of the [court decision](#)

California Preservation Foundation Webinars

July 16: [Planning & Zoning - Part 2: Effective Community Advocacy](#)

July 23: [Planning & Zoning - Part 3: Section 106 and Large-scale Infrastructure](#)

August 13: [Planning & Zoning - Part 4: Case Examples in Contextual Infill](#)

Designating California!



Summer time is a season for picnics, camping, traveling, or, if you're really lucky, boating on one of California's lakes, rivers, or bays. In honor of the season, we feature here the Zumbrota, a shallow-range, fantail yacht originally constructed in 1918 for Charles Ringling of Ringling Brothers Circus. Today, the historic yacht operates out of Marina del Rey as a venue for special events. With her narrow beam, plumb bow, and luxurious teak and mahogany finishes, the Zumbrota embodies the distinct characteristics of Classic motor yachts of the early twentieth century. She also is an example of the wide variety of resources listed on the National Register of Historic Places. When it comes to historic and cultural significance and designation, the Register is not just about grandma's house!

Learn more about the Zumbrota:

[National Register of Historic Places](#), listed on March 20, 2017.

Video: [Yacht Zumbrota Celebrates 100 Years on the Water](#)

Image: Courtesy of Architectural Resources Group

Remaining State Historical Resources Commission (SHRC) Meetings for 2019:

August 1 - Sacramento

October 24 - San

Bernardino

Commission meetings are open to the public and live-streamed via the [Cal-Span](#) network. Meeting locations, times, and agendas are posted to the [SHRC Meeting Schedule and Notices](#) webpage.

For upcoming nominations visit the [Pending Nominations](#) page. Nominations already heard by the Commission are listed on the [Actions Taken](#) page. Recordings of previous SHRC meetings are available on the [Meeting Recordings and Summaries](#) webpage.

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